WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 1674

IN THE MATTER OF:		Served	April 2	l, 1977
Order to Show Cause Directed to)			
the BALTIMORE AND ANNAPOLIS	<u> </u>	Docket :	No. 334	
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By motion filed April 12, 1977, respondent Baltimore and Annapolis Railroad Company (B & A) urges that Commission Order Nos. 1662 and 1664, incorporated by reference herein, be vacated and set aside and that the public hearing scheduled in the above-captioned matter be cancelled.

In support of its motion B & A contends (a) that the abovereferenced orders fail to comply with the provisions of Rule 12-02 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, and (b) that certain other carriers must be joined as necessary parties to this action.

Inasmuch as (1) the above-referenced orders specifically refer to the matters raised and alleged in <u>Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission</u> v. <u>Baltimore and Annapolis Railroad Company</u>, C.A. No. 76-1690; (2) the parties sought to be joined need not be before the Commission for proper resolution of the matters under investigation herein; (3) Rule 12-04 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure provides, as pertinent, that "Nothing in this Rule 12... shall be construed to limit or impair the power of the Commission to undertake and conduct investigations for any statutory purpose . . ."; and (4) no proper and sufficient cause has been shown for granting any of the relief sought;

IT IS ORDERED that the said motion of Baltimore and Annapolis Railroad Company be, and it is hereby, denied.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION:

WILLIAM H. MCGELVERY

Executive Director